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A Sanders Family-Northants (England) To Texas In 500 years; Series Begins

This is the beginning of a series of articles on the history of Sanders who started in Northhamptonshire (Northants), England, and came to the Virginia, then to East Texas. This is from a recently published book by Howard K. Sanders of Nashville, Tennessee, titled A SANDERS FAMILY—Northants to Texas in 500 Years.

Laurence Sanders, one of the outstanding figures in this book, was first mentioned in issue no. 2, page six of *Siftings*. In issue 5, Laurence Saunders, the martyr, was featured in a lengthy article.

FOREWORD

Initially, the purpose of this work on the Sanders family lineage was undertaken to assure that future generations of the descendants of Vernon and Louise Sanders of East Texas would never again have to wonder who they are and from whence they came. In retrospect it is with great regret that the author had neither the time, the perspective, nor the inclination to start this work when his direct predecessors were here to interview in person. Consequently, much of the detail on the family of Vernon and Louise, as well as other Sanders families who settled in the Texas counties of Houston and Trinity, was provided by immediate family members and friends based on their first-hand knowledge and memories.

However, in documenting the detail of this family background a second important purpose for this work began to emerge. Numerous other connecting lines were discovered. The author has come to appreciate that it is extremely rare to find so much detail on one's ancestors and acknowledges that good fortune, good friends and meticulous Quaker records are the main reasons that so much of this information was discovered. But, due to limited space and logistics, it was impossible to cover all of them in this work. Therefore, for anyone reading this record and wishing to attempt to connect their own family lines, the

author requests that they forward their own documented materials directly to the address listed below so it can be formally merged and made a part of the whole, thereby expanding this resource for all to use.

It has proven common to find that the name is frequently transposed in spelling between Sanders and Saunders, often causing confusion. For that reason the spelling used in the text is reflected exactly as it was found in the respective sources. But, for all the generations preceding Vernon and Louise, the research techniques, materials and sources used are fully documented herein and available in the stated locations at the time of this writing (1995).

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Chapter I

EARLIEST KNOWN ORIGINS OF THE FAMILY

To simply state that the Sanders lineage springs from an ancient English family is a profound understatement in today's perspective. The name has occurred in a multitude of references all throughout recorded English history. The surname was frequently recorded as Saunders, Sawnders, Sainders, Saynders, Saunders, Saunders, Saunder, Sander¹ and occasionally it was spelled differently even between father and son. It is not unusual to find that a person was born with his name spelled one way, married with another and have his death recorded with a third.¹

"Noted historians have extracted a wealth of history and legend from the Book of Kels, the Falaise Rolls, Battel Abbey Rolls, the Wace Poem, Irish and English parish rolls and ancient land grants to record the history of the Sanders family. Their conclusions are that the first written

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A Dream of Every Family Historian

I think the dream of a every person working on his or her family history is to make a trip back to the "old country" and find connections with people and places. This was not my dream in the beginning, but the more I got involved with searching for people and searching for answers, the road led across the waters.

With a great deal of luck, and following directions in *In Search Of Your German Roots*, I was in touch with Schäfer relatives living the same house that my great-grandfather left in 1856 to come to America. I received a great deal of help from two German genealogists in Hannover. On a tour to Europe that same year, 1988, we spent half a day with the Schäfers in the small town of Ottenstein. We were treated royally and made to promise that we would return and stay longer.

This year we made that return trip. It was wonderful! It gave more meaning to this thing we spend so many hours with—this thing called genealogy. Warm relationships were apparent in spite of a language and cultural barriers and three generations of time. And our hosts were just as pleased with our visit. Tears were in everyone's eyes when we left.

This is similar to the experience of Howard Sanders, whose book is being used in this and coming issues of SANDERS Siftings. Howard had the same kind of excitement in his eyes as he described his visit to Harrington, England, the home of his Sanders ancestors 500 years ago. He met Gerald E. S. Sanders, a relative fourteen generations removed. Read Howard's story and share in that excitement.

Don Schaefer, editor

Family Bible of William and Mary Elizabeth Saunders - Oberlin, Ohio

From Pat Saunders, 16 Westgate Dr., Apt. 107, Woburn, MA 01801. My grandfather, Freas B. Saunders, copied these records by hand from the Saunders Family Bible. I don't have the Bible and don't know if it still exists, but I have these copies. My grandfather was living in The Dalles, Oregon, when he copied these pages.

FAMILY BIBLE OF WILLIAM AND MARY ELIZABETH (ASHTON) SAUNDERS OF OBERLIN, LORAIN CO., OHIO

John S. Ashton & Sarah Yerkes were married by the Rev. John Jones Mar.6th.A.D.1834.

John S. Ashton son of William & Elizabeth Ashton was born Feb.27.1807.

Sarah Ashton, Daughter of Robt. & Mary Yerkes was born Feb.1.1809.

Mary Elizabeth Ashton daughter of John S. and Sarah Ashton was born Mar.31.1835. (Mother)

Robert Yerkes Ashton son of John S & Sarah Ashton was born Aug.7.1837.

Sarah Ashton daughter of Robt. & Mary Yerkes died Jan.13.1838. aged 28 years. 11 months. 12 days.

Robert Yerkes Ashton son of John S & Sarah Ashton died Jan.21.1838. Aged 6 months. 14 days.

John S. Ashton son of William & Elizabeth died Dec.27.1848. aged 41 years. 11 months.

William Saunders & Mary E. Ashton were married by the Rev. Thos. Murphy. Apr.16.1856.

Emma Lizzie Saunders daughter of William & Mary E. Saunders was born at Philadelphia Feb.18.1857.

William Lewis Saunders son of William & Mary E. Saunders was born at Carlisle, Penn. Sept.5.1858.

Susana Broomall Saunders daughter of William & Mary E. Saunders was born at Chambersburg, Penn. Feb.28.1863.

Baby born & died Oct.21.1860.

Baby born & died July 15.1861.

John Ashton Saunders son of Willlam & Mary E Saunders was born at Espey, Penn. Aug.11.1866.

Alfred Robinson Saunders, son of

William & Mary E Saunders was born at Espey, Penn. Mar.15.1871

Freas Brown Saunders son of William & Mary E Saunders was born at Bloomsbury, Penn. Oct.12.1873.

Births.

Born to J.E. & E.S. Graham a daughter. Bessie Ashton Graham July 12, 1882. at Cadillac, Mich.

Born to W.L. & Mary E. Saunders a son Clyde Ashton Saunders April 16,1885. at Cadillac, Mich.

Born to W.L. & Mary E. Saunders a daughter, Blanche Saunders about April 10,1889 at Cadillac, Mich.

Born to John A. & R. Saunders a son (Geo. Ashton Mar.1892.)

(Born to Geo.E. & S.B. Heene of Cleveland Ohio, a son Dec.1,1893. Howard E Heene)

Deaths.

Blanche Saunders, daughter of Wm. L. & Mary E. Saunders.

Baby Saunders Son of John A. & R. Saunders."

Marriages.

Emma L. Saunders was married to J. E. Graham by the Rev. W. R. Stinchcomb at Cadillac, Mich. June. 2.1881.

William L. Saunders and Mary E. Graham were married at Big Rapids, Mich. Nov.9.1881.

John Ashton Saunders & Retta Fish were married at Buckhannon, W. Va. Jan.1.1891.

Susana Broomall Saunders and Geo. W. Heene were married at Brooklyn Village, Cleveland, Ohio, by the Rev. W. C. Endly Apr.27.1892.

Alfred Robinson Saunders and Miss Ollie Gove of Cleveland, Ohio, were married at the home of the brides parents, #90 Noyes Ave. Cleveland Ohio. Dec.25/1893 Xmas Day. by the Rev. T. A. Gould. ■

Ron Sanders, 7183 W. US 40, Cumberland, IN [sandfam@ netride.com] is seeking information and descendants for James Sanders born 1832, in Indiana. He died 1878 in White Hall, Ill.

A Sanders Family

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record of the name was found in County Wicklow where they were granted lands by Strongbow, Earl of Pembroke, for their assistance in the invasion of Ireland in 1172." ¹

To provide some historical perspective in the tracing of the family, it is helpful to begin centuries earlier. Part legend and part history, it is recorded that "from Spain, Milesius, the great Milesian King sent his son to explore the Irish coast. On learning that his son had been murdered in Ireland by the three resident Kings (the Danans), Milesius gathered an army to take his revenge on the Irish but he died before he could embark on the trip. However, his remaining eight sons conquered Ireland in his stead and renamed it Land of the Scoti.

"More than a millennium later, in 1172 A.D., Dermott McMurrough, in his fight for the position of Ard Righ, requested Henry II of England for assistance. Henry, of England, commanded the Earl of Pembroke, nick-named Strongbow, to help Dermott in his fight for the crown of Ireland. Strongbow recruited 2,000 trained mercenaries of Norman, Welsh or Cornish background from South Wales and sailed for Ireland. The battles against the untrained, badly clad Irish were short, swift and sure. In the end, it was Henry and Strongbow who held the reins of power in Ireland, not Dermott McMurrough. Strongbow doled out to his army commanders much of the confiscated Irish land in Southern Ireland. Ironically, after several centuries, some of the invaders became as Irish as the native families. Some of the Irish family Sanders emerged as a distinguished family in County Wicklow where they were recorded as a family of great antiquity seated with manor and estates in that county."

This ancient Norman family was descended from Robert, Lord of Insbrock, brother of the Count of Hapsburg. Over time they were granted estates in Leicestershire, Oxfordshire, Warwickshire, Northhamptonshire, and Herfordshire. Their distinctive coat of arms with three Elephant heads followed both the senior and junior lines in all stems of the family. They were elevated to the peerage as the Barons Saumerez. The family motto is "Spes Mea In Deo." 1 Curiously, this is the same wording of the motto of the Knights

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Templar. As will be illustrated later, this provokes an interesting inference which might explain the transfer of the estate from the Knights Templars to the Knights Hospitalers and ultimately to the Sanders family.

It is difficult to ascertain the complete train of ownership in the Sanders estate of Harrington. But, clearly, the estate was at one time in the hands of the priory of St. John of Jerusalem, Knights Hospitalers, and remained as such until the dissolution of the monasteries. The sequence is then recorded as follows: "Of the tenants in this lordship to the knights hospitallers, the principal appear to have been the family of Saunders; of which family was Edward Saunders, the son of John Saunders, yeoman, who died in the sixth year of Hen. VIII seized of messuages, lands and tenements in Harrington, which he held of the prior of S. John of Jerusalem by fealty and a certain annual payment.

"His successor in this estate was Laurence Saunders his second son, who left them at his death in the thirty sixth of this reign to Thomas his son and heir. By the inquisition then taken he was found to have held them of the crown, as parcel of the late dissolved priory S. John of Jerusalem. In the thirty third of the same reign the manor of Hetherington or Harynton, with other estates formerly belonging to the priory of S. John's in Arthingworth, Kelmarsh, Eltyndon, Buckby and Yelvertost, by a grant under the great seal reciting a former grant to Laurence Saunders, had been given to Francis Pygot in exchange for lands in other counties. In the fifth year of Oueen Elizabeth a fine was levied of it between Richard Peyton gent. demandant, and Thomas Pygot Esq.; deforciant.

"The same year died Thomas Saunders Esq. seized of the possessions in Harrington which came to him from his ancestors, in which he was succeeded by William Saunders his brother and heir: which William dying in the twenty fourth of the same reign, possessed of the manor and advowson of the rectory of Harrington, left them to Edward Saunders Esq; his son and heir. From this gentleman they passed into the hands of Sir John Stanhope Kt. who levied a fine of them in the forty fifth year of Queen Elizabeth. In the third of James I. he was created lord Stanhope of Harrington, and died in 1620...." ²

The Sanders families of East Texas are direct descendants of that stem of the fami-

FAMILY HISTORY AVAILABLE

The book, *A Sanders Family— Northants to Texas in 500 Years*, featured in this issue, is available from the author, Howard K. Sanders.

Copies can be ordered from Col. Sanders at 5409 Franklin Road, Nashville, TN 37220. The price per copy is \$24.95 plus \$3.95 for packaging and postage. The book contains many photographs and a detailed map showing the exact location of Harrington, England, if you would like to visit the ancestral town of many of our Sanders/Saunders.

ly granted this estate in Northhamptonshire, England, more specifically, in and around the little village cited now called Harrington. This became the seat of the Sanders family ancestors in the Midlands. The earliest of those documented thus far was Robert (anno obit 1439) followed by many others who are identified and named herein.³

Harrington is a typical, small English village located in the northwestern part of Northhamptonshire (Northants). Nearby is a slightly larger village named Rothwell and another more prominent city, Kettering. The area is approximately one and one half hours northwest of London. The region is still oriented to farming. The village itself contains approximately 35 residences, one pub and the original church from the time the Sanders family owned the estate.

The church, located approximately 150 yards down a lane running east from the village center, is still active today and services are regularly held. The list of incumbent pastors which is posted in the rear of the church records names dated as far back as 1218 ⁴

Also, the church name remains unchanged, the Church of Saints Peter and Paul. It is well kept and the burial grounds surrounding the church are well tended and show recent interments. The earliest part of the nave is thought to be 12th century. It is of cruciform plan and was originally aislesless. The narrow side aisles were probably added in early or mid 14th century. The chancel is separated from the nave by a carved oak screen with intricate tracery in a grape vine design.

A stone staircase leads to a rood loft doorway above. There is a gray marble tomb with interesting brasses of the family of Laurence Saunders and an impressive alabaster monument erected in memory of William Saunders and is dated 1588. Part of the original floor that remains is made from Norman patterned tiles. In 1859 the church floor was repaved and Victorian choir stalls installed. Unfortunately, the original order of the Norman tiles was broken up and some more contemporary memorial stones now partly cover some of those original tiles. Part of an early Saxon stone coffin lid stands in the south window. At the back of the church, enclosed in a glass case, is a vamping horn of which only eight remain, two being in Northamptonshire. This Tuba Stentorophonica may have been used as a "speaking trumpet" or to vamp accompaniment for choir and congregation before the introduction of church organs. The present tower was built in 1809 on the site of the former one which fell down in 1800.4...

... The link in the foregoing is additionally supported by reference to *Index to Biographies of Englishmen*, 1000-1485 Found in Dissertations and Theses.⁵ The text of that work is as follows: "Saunders, Thomas FL 1440. Interior Govt Svc: Farmer Landholding: Berkshire." (That portion of the text "FL 1440" simply means that documentation was found that Thomas' birth occurred after the year 1440. From these and other works one can deduce that 1485 is a fairly valid birth date. That would make Thomas 25 years of age at the birth of his son Lawrence who was born in 1510.)

From this point the documenting of people, places and events of the family becomes easier because of the significant role played by Lawrence, son of Thomas, in "the Reformation" movement which was sweeping Europe at that time.

Endnotes:

1. Copied from a commercial genealogical paper purchased by the author at York Minster in 1993 2. Whalley, The Reverend Peter, The History and Antiquities of Northamptonshire, Compiled From the Manuscript Collections of the Late Learned Antiquary John Bridges, Esq., Volume II, p.33, Oxford, Sold by T. Payne, London; D. Prince and J. Cooke, Oxford; and Mr. Lacy, Northampton, MDCCXCI. 3. From an original census document prepared by a Herald of the College of Heralds, dated in 1588, owned by Gerald E. S. Sanders of Rushden, Northants, photo-copied by the author in 1995. 4. Extracted from a printed handout provided by the church to its visitors. 5. Reel, Jerome V. Jr, Index to Biographies of Englishmen 1000-1485 found in Dissertations and Theses, Greenwood Press, Westport, Conn. & London England.

In the next issue of this newsletter, details on the family of Laurence Saunders in *A Sanders Family—Northants to Texas* in 500 Years will be given. ■

George W. Sanders, State Legislator, Father of Many

Submitted by Mark Strube at 4434 S. 112th E. Ave, #2211, Tulsa OK 74146.

A person on the frontier who brought considerable wealth with him quickly elevated to "high society." At a time when the majority of those who moved westward did so in order to make a living, the man with money stood out from the crowd. Often called "Squire," they were considered prominent, not just in wealth, but in society and politics as well. One such man was George Woodard Sanders.

George Sanders, was born on 24 Sep 1785 in Virginia. On 16 Dec 1805 George married Drucilla Best, daughter of John and Drucilla (Bradley) Best in Bedford Co., Virginia. Their first seven children were born in Bedford Co., Va., before the family started moving. About 1817 the family moved to Kentucky then on to Tennessee before moving to Jackson Co., Alabama, where they resided for about four years before moving to Arkansas.

In 1831 the Sanders family came to Arkansas Territory. On 17 Nov 1835 George's beloved wife Drucilla passed away. George went back to Jackson Co., Ala., and on the 27 Oct 1836 he married Rhoda (Cope) Waits widow of Allen Waits. George took his new bride back to Arkansas to his home at Wesley, Madison County.

George Sanders was elected to the Arkansas House of Representatives on Oct. 1, 1838 and served until Dec. 28, 1840. George was instrumental in setting the western boundary of Madison County, Ark. After this there is not much known about George. He had quite a large family by his two wives. On Oct. 27, 1861 George passed away and was laid to rest in an unmarked grave in the Wesley cemetery.

George had about 16 children by his two wives and about ninety grandchil-

The following are the known children and grandchildren of George Sanders and Drucilla Best.

1. Kittie Sanders, b. 8 Nov. 1806, m. 1st David Phillips Their children: John B., b. 1826, m. Lucinda Williams George W., b. 1827, m. Mary A. Long Samuel G., b. 1830, m. Lela E. Johnson

Levi, b. 1832, m. Susan H. Clark

James B., b. about 1834 Charles R., b. 1835, m. Elizabeth Clark William M. b. 1838, m. Martha A. Denton Drucilla A. b. 1840, m. 1st- James Henderson, 2nd- James Bragg Martha A. b. abt. 1842, m. John Ish Kitty M. b.abt. 1844, m. William Y. Wilkerson

Kittie (Sanders) Phillips, m. 2nd-Rial Williams

Their children:

Evan P., b. 1847, m. Bettie S. Dodson infant girl, b. & d. 1849

Burton S., b. 1851, m. Sarah E. Gladden 2. Matilda R., b. 1808, m. 1st- John C. Long

Their children:

Elizabeth W., b. 1826, m. William V. Polk William B., b. 1828, m. Mary E. Wood Drucilla B., b. 1831, m. 1st- Chesley H. Boatright, 2nd-David W. Sanders Mary M., b. 1833, m. John W. Moody George W., b. 1834, m. Ermina M. Wright Margaret C., b. 1836, m. Leeroy Parks Arthur K., b. 1838, m. Pamelia Robertson Thomas B., b. 1839, m. Lydia H. Gipson? John C., b. 1842, m. Catherine T. Skaggs Matilda A., b. 1849, d. 1850

Matilda m. 2nd- Thomas McCuistion (no children)

3. John, b. 1809, m. Mary Waits George W., b. abt. 1832 m. Mary A. Carnahan

Rhoda, b. abt. 1834 m., ___ Long/Lang Allan, b. abt. 1836

Drucilla B., b. abt. 1837, m. ___ Goodlow Mary, b. abt. 1844

Pleasant, b.abt, 1846

Martha, b. abt. 1848

Catherine P., b. abt. 1850, m. ___ Phillips John B., b. abt. 1853

Charles L., b. abt. 1859

4. Patsy R., b. 1811 m. James Phillips John, b. abt 1829

Mary, b. abt. 1830, m. 1st-William Sherrod, 2nd-William Caldwell

George W., b. 1832, m. Malissa

Drucilla B., b. 1834, m. John L. Rainey William R., b. 1836, m. 1st- Eliza Williams,

2nd- Lete Wilson

James N., b. abt. 1838

Martha J., b. 1839, m. Jessee Baker Samuel M., b. 1841, m. Julia C. Henderson

5. George W., b. 1813, m. Mary E. Polk

Drucilla P., b. abt. 1847, d. abt. 1860

6. Drucilla, b. 1815, d. 1816

7. Levi B., b. 1816, m. Martha Sherrod Columbus L., b. abt. 1836, d. young Mary J., b. 1838, m. Perry W. Mattox

Eveline A., b. 1841, m. 1st- M.H. Neely, 2nd- Matthew Reedy

Martha B., b. 1843, m. Thomas C. Reedy



Levi Best Saunders

Sarah A., b.abt. 1848, d. 1850 Emily F., b. abt. 1850, m. John 0. Mattox Artimetia, b. 1852, m. 1st P.B. Dingle, 2nd- Presley Ball Missouri B., b. 1857, m. J.C. Hannah Nat, b. abt 1860, d. young

Charles B., b. 1863, m. Mrs. Gertude (Smith) Bowers

8. Drucilla, b. 1819, m. Lynch Banks Samuel G., b. 1837

George W., b. 1838

John A., b. 1840

Drucilla B., b. 1842, m. 1st-Francis H. McCuistion, 2nd-William D. Everett

Mary E., b. 1843, d. young?

Thomas C., b. 1845

Nancy A., b. 1847 m. William Baker Charles B., b. 1849

Jordan L., b. 1851, m. Emma J.

9. Polley H., b. 1821, m. Anderson H. Payne?

George M., b. abt. 1844

Larkin, b. abt. 1845

Eliza A., b. abt. 1847

Drusy B., b. abt. 1849

Charles B., b. abt. 1852

Viola T., b. abt. 1854

Rebecca A., b. abt. 1856

Anderson H., b.abt. 1858, d. young

Catherine, b. abt. 1859

10. William R., b. 1823, m. Elizabeth

Children: John, Robert. Viola, Cans

11. Samuel G., b. 1824, may have never married

12. Charles B., b. 1826, m. Viola T. Polk Isabelle, b. 1853, m. Albert A. Brodie Bruce, b. 1857, d. 1859

Cener B., b. 1859, m. Jefferson T. Hight

Julia, b. abt. 1860, d. young

Mediline, b. 1861, d. 1866

Collister, b. 1863, d. 1866

Nathaniel L., b. 1865, m. Lutie H. Berry Albert B., b. 1866, m. Mary A. Skaggs

13. Lockie b. 1828, m.lst- Nealey, 2nd-James Stephenson

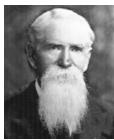
George and his second wife Rhoda

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(Cope) Waits had the following children:

14. Henry N. b. 1837, m. Rhoda Chote



Henry "Newt" Sanders

Edward G.W., b abt. 1857, m. Katie Smith Jackson S., b. 1860, m. Agnes J. Ware Caledonia A., b. 1863, m. James H. Cummings Henrietta B., b. 1866, m. William C. Adair

Nora C., b. 1872, m. Lee H. Smith
15. Osine M. b. 1839, m. 1st- James
Leatherwood, 2nd- ____ Morris
Dick J. Leatherwood, b. abt. 1859
16. Washington J. b. 1840, m. Orlena H.
Chenowth

Alice M., b. 1861, m. William J. Richardson Washington J., b. 1864 Henry B., b. 1866, m.l) S.J. Neal 2) Zena

Henry B., b. 1866, m.l) S.J. Neal 2) Zena Smith

Indiana B., b. 1869, m. James B. Lewis Rhoda F, b. 1972, never married Orlena Z., b. 1874, m. James W. Miller Charles B., b. 1878, m. Eva Clark William J., b. 1881, m. Bertie E. Harris

George Woodard Sanders name started out as Saunders. In about 1850 the family shortened it to Sanders with the exception of Levi who kept the Saunders spelling. ■

Parents of Sarah Sanders?

From Glen Steiner, 140 Hillcrest Dr., Brownsville, TN 38012, [gs@gate.n9gsa. ampr.org]. Seeking parents of William Clark and Sarah Sanders. William Clark b. abt 1730 probably Va., d. abt 1784 Rockingham Co, N.C. William Clark Esqr performed civil service as a resident of Guilford Co, N.C. during the American Revolution. He was appointed Justice of Peace at N.C. Provincial Congress held at Halifax in April 1776.

William m. Sarah Sanders abt 1750; she was born abt 1730, probably Va.; d. bef 1784, probably N.C. Children:

- 1. Elizabeth Clark, b abt 1750 prob Va. d aft 1794 probably N.C.; spouse: Peter O'Neal, b 17 Jan 1750 Stafford Co, Va.; m abt 1768 Rockingham Co, N.C.
- 2. Rebecca Clark, b. abt 751
- 3. Joseph Clark, b. abt 1752
- 4. Isaac Clark, b. abt 1754
- 5. William Clark Jr., b. abt 1755. ■

Siftings Back Issues Available

Back issues of SANDERS Siftings are available at \$3.00 each. They are: No. 2, July 1995; No. 3, October 1995; No. 4, January 1996; No. 5. April 1996; and No. 6, July 1996.

A copy of issue No. 1, April, 1995, will be included free with any order for a back issue. ■

James Sanders II, Patriot From Revolutionary War

From Ron Daniel. 301 Westminster Ave., Ashborough at Oakbrook, Summerville, SC 29485-8070, [RED DAD@aol.com]. James Sanders II, Rev. Patriot was born on 29 Dec 1733; died on 4 Aug 1797 in Oglethorpe Co. Ga.; served in the Revolutionary War. He married Sarah Tully about 1755 in N.C.? They had the following children: John (b. 22 Jan 1756), Nancy (b. 12 Jan 1758), Charity (b. 5 Apr 1760), James III Rev. Soldier (b. 18 Mar 1762), Sarah (b. 7 Jul 1765), Polly (b. 17 Nov 1773), Jonathan (b. 26 Feb 1775), William (b. 23 Jan 1777), and Dorcas (b. 21 Nov 1779). While in Surry Co., N.C., James performed patriotic service during the Revolutionary War, which entitles his descendants to DAR membership (see the DAR Patriotic Index, Vol. I:594; DAR Nat'l #557343). During the Revolution, he surveyed and marked out a road and hired a substitute for his son, James, Jr., the first time he was called for service. First found in Johnston Co. records on 6 May 1757 when he received a Granville land grant on Cow Branch. He received another land grant on 21 July 1761, on Middle Creek, which appears to be the same land that was later sold to a Hardy Sanders in 1769. By late 1794, he had moved to (then) Oglethorpe Co.—a 20 September 1800 church record shows a James Sanders of Brushy Creek on the south fork of the Broad River. That property. just outside modern-day Danielsville, was in the Sanders family until John Sanders (son of Henry Brittain Sanders and Lettie Anna Baker, sister of Charlene Sanders Daniel) died in 1976. Individual source: Family Bible of Helen Hitchcock Fortson of Hull of Madison County, Ga. Does anyone know the parents of James Sanders II above? ■

Papaw Ron is Searching Elisha Sanders Line

From Ron & Joan Sanders, 3708 River Bluff Road, Prospect, KY 40059, [PapawRon@aol.com]. Looking for anyone searching the Elisha Sanders line (born 1782) of Jackson Co., Tenn. Elisha and wife Elizabeth (Campbell) had several children. We believe them to be Henry (1814), Elisha Jr. (1816), Thomas (1830), Ann Mariah, and Lenora Sanders. Elisha & Sarah was born in either Kentucky or Virginia.

Elisha Jr. married Sarah (Sallie) Gordon in Jackson Co., Tenn. in the late 1830s and were the parents of at least nine children, all born in Jackson Co. They were William (1839), John (1843), Alamarinda (1845), Elba (1846), Mary (1848), Elmore (1851), Wilmore (1853), Addison (1858) and James Russell Sanders (1861). All of Elisha Jr.'s family moved to McLeansboro, Hamilton Co., Ill. in 1861.

I have detailed information on all of Elisha Jr.'s family with the exception of my Grandfather Elmore Sanders. Would appreciate any help on locating my Grandfather Elmore's death date, burial site, etc. and will share any information on others. ■

Looking For Parents Of George A. Sanders

Teresa Venable McMillan, 1900 Shorewood Lane, Mound, MN 55364-1317, [TMcMillanB@aol.com] is looking for parents of George A. Sanders, b. 1824 in Ky., possibly Adair Co.; married Nancy A Pelly 28 Mar 1851 in Adair Co, Ky.; d. 1865-1870. Nancy, b. 1832-1836 in Ky, probably Adair Co., died after 1900. Children: Mary E (b. 1851), Mahalie Frances (b. 1853), James H (b. 1855), John R (b. 1857), Zachariah (b. 1860), Emily J (b. 1862), and George B (b. 1865). According to 1860 & 1870 census, all children born in Kentucky, assuming Adair Co. My direct ancestor, Mahalie Frances, married her sister Mary's widowed husband, Parker H. Thomas, in March 1854 in Adair Co. George A. Sanders appears in the 1860 Adair Co. census with wife & children. He also apears in the 1850 Adair Co. census as a 26-year-old living alone. He had real estate valued at \$1500 and I believe he had two female slaves.

ASSORTED QUERIES...

Estie Lawrence, 4151 W. Melinda Lane., Tucson, AZ, 85742, [Dil3625@aol.com] seeks information on the ancestors of William G. Sanders (b. abt. 1815 in N.C.) and Nancy Henderson (b. abt. 1818 in S.C.). William and Nancy were married in Tallapoosa Co., Ala., 17 Feb. 1837, & settled in Clarke Co., Ark., abt. 1847. William died in Waco, Tex., Nov., 1871.

Dolores A. McCarty, 13532 Sagewood Drive, Poway, CA 92064-1730 is searching for a Joshua Sanders, born in Virginia who had a son named Reuben Alexander. Reuben settled in Columbia Co., Ga. after the War of 1812.

Dale 0. Gaa, RD 2, Box 187A, Greenwich, N.Y. 12834 is seeking information on parents, siblings and children of William A. Sanders/Saunders born about 1815 in Canada, married about 1840 (place not known) Susannah Mosher (1821-1876) and died 1891 in Whitehall (Washington Co.), N.Y. William and Susannah had nine children (Henrietta, Daniel M., Benjamin H., Harriet, William H., John, Elizabeth B., Clarrissa A., and James Y.) and lived in West Farnham, Quebec, Canada until about 1871 when they moved to N.Y. with their 5 youngest children.

Louise Cain Eaton, P. O. Box 62, Stark City, MO is researching a Francis or F. F. Sanders, first found in the 1850 census of Madison Co., Ark., War Eagle Township. By the 1860 census he was in Newton County, Mo., Granby Township. F. F. Sanders died March 13, 1875, age 74. From census records she knows his wife's name was Hester "Hetty" (possibly Ledbetter). Children: John (b. 1825), Ben (b. 1826), Arthur L. (b. 7 Nov 1827, d. 15 Feb 1864, m. Edna J. Clemont 24 Sep 1848). Francis Elijah (b. 1829, m. Sarah C. Ledbetter), Elihue (b. 1833), James (b. 1835). William M. (b. 18 Oct 1841, d. 1 May 1899 Newton Co., Mo., m. Lucinda Wood), and Julia (b. 1844). William M. is her line. From other family members she learned that the sons John and Ben left Arkansas for the California Gold Rush and were never heard from.

Dixie S. McCoin, 149 Anabel Lane, Houston, TX 77076-4505. My great grandfather, Jesse Sanders/Saunders, b. 1816 in Ala.; died in Chickasaw Co., Miss., 10 June 1872; married (1) Kathryn Bass, 1 Sept 1834 in Lowndes Co., Miss. Their children: Emily Jane (m. Will J. Rogers), Wm Marion (m. Mary C. Goodwin), Elijah B., Lydia (m. Hugh M. Rogers), and John Robert (m. Amanda Bullard) [my grandparents]. Jesse, Wm Marion, and Elijah B. served in the Confederate Army. Jesse married (2) widow Sarah Jane Moore Evans, and had three children by her: Jesse Solomon, Cathrine, and Kizzy. I need to prove the following are Jesse's parents: Elijah B. Saunders (b. 1797 in Kentucky) married Lydia, b. Virginia. Their known children: Martha (m. John B. Summers), Martin S., Elizabeth, Sarah M. (m. John E. Hudson), Arminta (Minta) (believe m. Snow), and Elzy Sanders. Sometime after 1880 the four sons of Jesse came to Texas. If there is anyone who can help me on any of these families I would appreciate it so much.

Pat McAlister, 5221 Arkanshire Circle, Springdale, AR 72764, [P1ttyPat @aol.com] is seeking information about the parents of her g-g-g-grandfather, James Sanders, Sr. who died in 1812 in Fleming Co., Kentucky. His wife's name was Elizabeth and their children were: Mary (m. 1784 to Truman Day, Sr., d. 1810 in Fleming Co., Ky.), Ackley (m. Polly, d. 1822), James, Jr. (m. Sally in Locust Creek, Ky., d. 1822), and Permelia (m. Charles Eaton). My g-grandfather's name was Sanders Perfect Day. Have much more information to share. including a possible connection with Sanders Perfect Day and Jesse James.

Jack W. Sanders, 276 Greentrails Dr. S, Chesterfield, MO 63017. Seek desc of Dr. Theophilus Sanders, b. 6/38/1797, Wake Co., N.C.; d. 2/17/1868, Des Arc, Prairie Co., Ark.; m. 1) Angelina Whitaker, b. 11/3/1796, Wake Co., N.C., d. 7/13/1839, Madison Co., Tenn.; m. 2) Susan M. Sanders, d. 12/17/1870, Lonoke, Ark., bur. Des Arc. Also seek desc of Theophilus' brother, Maj. D. H. E. Sanders, b. 4/11/1795, Wake Co., N.C., d. 9/21/1861, Des Arc, Ark.

Bob and Caroline Putnam, 100 Alden Avenue Marietta, OH 45750 seek information on parents, ancestors, birthplace, and descendants of Joseph Sanders (Saunders) b. 17 Aug. 1764, d. 12 Dec. 1829, buried at New Ipswich, N.H. Married 27 May 1778 Elizabeth (Betsy) Hall, d. 5 March 1836 in Mason N.H., b. in New Ipswich, N.H., daughter of Nathan Hall and Mary Chapman. Children: Anna (Amsden), David (m. 14 Oct. 1811 Amy Wheeler, d. of Timothy Wheeler and Sarah Hubbard), Joseph, Betsy, Polly, Sally, Nathan, George, Fidelia, Caroline. Above information from History of New Ipswich, N.H.

From R. S. Sanders, Box 147, Weinert, TX 76388. William Saunders died in 1790 in Chatham Co., North Carolina. His children included John, George (my ancestor), Jesse, Joseph, and James. John went to Pickens Co., S. C., and George to Oglethorpe Co., Ga. It is believed that Joseph and James first moved to Oglethorpe Co., Ga., in 1800. James returned to Chatham Co., N.C. Where was William Sanders of Chatham Co. before he moved there?

June Wilson Davis, RR 2, Box 658, Greenfield, MO 65661 is looking for information about the parents or siblings of her great grandparents, Isam Hurney Sanders (b. 11 Oct 1841, d. 23 May 1886) and Mary Jane Mayberry (b. 18 Jan 1847, d. 20 Feb 1928). They were married 11 Oct 1867. Isam Hurney is buried at the cemetery in Prairie Grove, Ark. Mary Jane, who married 2nd John H. Andrews, is buried at Cushing, Okla.

Children, all born in Washington Co., Ark: Annie (b. 20 Aug 1868) m. Russell Ramsey Mattie (b. 10 Mar 1870) m. Dick Ramsey Alice (b. 1 Apr 1872) m. Louis Austin Hatcher

Mary (b. 31 Mar 1875) m. Fred Lewis Lemuel Harris (b. 16 May 1877) m. Mable Ethel Scribner

Maggie (b. 1 Feb 1882) m. Benton Jackson

Ellen (b. 13 Mar 1882) m. Henderson Wilson

Hurney (b. 7 Jul 1886)

Parents of Isam Hurney Sanders were Stephen Sanders and ?Hixie Harris.

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More Queries . . .

Leonard Sanders, Route 2, Box 25, Alden IA 50006 is looking for ancestors or anyone who can connect to his line. His parents are Edwin Absolom Sanders (b. 22 Mar 1897 Owaso, Iowa, d. 4 May 1984 Hampton, Iowa) and Eva Rachel Nelson (b. 23 Aug 1904), m. 23 Feb 1928. Edwin's parent's were Frank E. Sanders (b. 18 Mar 1872 West Jersey, Ill., d. 1 Jan 1954 Owaso, Iowa) and Margaret Huffman (b. 23 Nov 1871) m. 17 Jan 1895. Frank's parents were Frederick E. Sanders (b. 16 Feb 1850 West Jersey, Ill., d. 14 Feb 1937 Iowa Falls, Iowa) and Rebecca Dancer (b. 10 May 1853. Frederick's parents were Sylvester Sanders (b. 16 Dec 1812, d. 16 Jul 1904) and Eliza Ann Bryan (b. 1815). It is believed that Sylvester's parents were Darius Sanders and Mary Lochman in Morris County, N.J. and were members of the Hilltop Presbyterian Church in Mendham, N.J.

Dr. Marvin D. Headley, 2312 NW Acorn Drive, Blue Springs, MO 64014 is seeking information on Saunders ancestors. Thomas Saunders m. Mary "Polly" Morris in Mecklenburg Co., Va. 19 Dec 1803. Their children were: Samuel S. b. 1807 Va., d. 1854 Cass Co., Mo., m. Pamelia J. Morris 15 Oct 1830 Mecklenburg Co., Va.); Emily (b. 1824 Va., d. bef 1856, m. Joshua D. Walker 20 Nov 1848 Cass Co., Mo.); Joseph (b. 1822 Va., d. Nov 1866 Cass Co., Mo. m. Isabel Blackburn 24 Jan 1852 Cass Co., Mo.); Margaret (b. 1826 Va., d. by 1875, m. Robert S. Morris 1 Jul 1849 Cass Co., Mo.); Thomas H.; and James E. (d. Jul 1849, m. Elizabeth Isom 25 May 1848 Cass Co., Mo.). Have more information on descendants to share. It is believed that the father of Thomas Saunders (1803) was John Saunders, date of birth and place unknown.

From Steve Bratton, 60 Foal Dr., Roswell, GA 30076, [sbratton@borderlessworld.com]. Looking for the descendants of the children of Lorenzo Saunders (1803-1879) and Susan Anderson (b. 1806) who were all born in Sumner Co., Tenn. They are: Sarah Eliza (b. 1838), Mary Francis (b. 1840), Seth P. (1842-1925), George W. (1845-1877), Elizabeth (b. 1847), Susan P. (b. 1849), and Lucy Ann (b. 1843). Have more information to share.

Pam Smart, 142 Ruby Haymon Rd., Leesville, LA 71446-6155 [psmart@dtx.net] needs info on William Terrell Sanders b. 3/16/1862 d. 2/15/1933 or William Coleman Sanders (Wm. T.'s son) b. 1/22/1886 in Provencal, La., d. 8/24/1943. Married to Cora Azalea Hooker b. 2/22/1885 in Nash, Ark.

Kim Whitehead, 50 April Village, Montgomery, TX 77356 is searching for parents/siblings of James S. Sanders (b. Tex. ca 1854, d. Robertson, Tex., 1900) wo married Sarah Jane Gibson ca 1878. Census records list birthplace of parents as Louisiana. Known issue: Reuben Alexander (b. 1878), Matilda, Daisy, Arthur, James A., Rufus, Oscar, Minnie, Dora, Tom, Camie, Charlie, and Eva Mae. Purchased land Robertson, Tex. 1879, but unable to locate prior whereabouts. Issue found in Leon and Limestone, Tex.

Joseph C. Carroll, 465 Sunset
Terrace, Cedar Park, Texas 78613 is
interested in any information on parents
or siblings of Catherine Sanders, b.
c1838 in Ala. who married John
Wilborn 28 Oct 1858. Catherine is
believed to be first of six children born
to John "Jack" Sanders (b May 6, 1816
in Christian Co., Ky.; d Aug 5, 1871 in
Shelby Co., Tex.) and Rachel Boyd
Willingham (b May 3, 1820 in Halifax
Co., Va.; d Jun 3, 1881 in Shelby Co.,
Tex.). Catherine and John Wilborn
were in Denton Co., Tex. during 1860
census.

Dorothy M. Sanders Bishop, 707 East Oak, Brownfield, TX 79316 is searching for her father, Robert B. Bishop. b. 12 Mar 1915. He was married 19 May 1935 to Ollie M. Follis at Vincent, Tex. Their two children were: Robert Sanders, Jr., b. 6 Aug 1936 and Dorothy M., b. 29 Apr 1938. A divorce was granted Feb 1943 in Deming, N.M. while Robert was working at the Todd Hunter Ranch. She thinks her father's father was named Martin Sanders and that her father's siblings were Thelma, Woodrow, and Betty. She has heard that Betty drowned in Lake Worth. She does not know what happened to her father but she thinks he married again and had more children. Please contact her if you have any information to share.

Wants To Know About Thomas B. Sanders (1809) From Franklin Co., N.C.

From Annette Shelton, 189 Wheeler Rd., Monroe, LA 71203-9634, [shelton@bayou.com]. My search for Sanders ancestors reaches back to Franklin Co., N.C. where my g-g-grandfather, Thomas B. Sanders, was born in 1809. He married Caroline Arendell (b. 1811 in N.C.) there on Feb 12, 1829. Two of their children were born in Franklin Co. They were Kemp H. Sanders (b. 1830) and Percival Fabinet Sanders (b. Sep 14, 1832). Percival married Martha Ann Braswell (b. Dec 14, 1840 in Edgecombe? or Franklin? Co. N.C.) on Jan 14, 1858 in Chicot Co., Ark. Martha Ann was the daughter of Wiley Braswell and Lucy Bailey Braswell of Edgecombe Co., N.C. Percival F. Sanders is my direct ancestor.

Thomas and Caroline made a long journey west to finally settle in Morehouse Parish, La. in 1847. They had these children born along the way: Thadeus C. (b 1836 in Ala.); Erasimus Isaiah (b. 1838 in Miss.); Mary Varice (Jane?) (b. 1840 in Miss.); Rebecca Angeline (b. 1842 in Miss.); and James Napoleon (b. 1845 in Miss.) Church records show that a Thomas B. Sanders and his wife Caroline joined the Mushulaville Baptist Church, Noxubee Co., Miss. in 1843. Mississippi is where they stayed the longest en route to Louisiana, but it is not known if they were in Noxubee Co. all this time. Would like to hear from any Sanders descendants in this part of Miss. Descendants of Kemp H. Sanders, age 30, on 1860 census of Bird Township, Jackson Co., Ark. died in Independence Co., Ark. Descendants of James Napoleon Sanders lived in Independence Co., Ark., buried at Floral, Ark.; daughters' married names are Ida Sanders Cleveland of Pangburn, Ark. and Grace Sanders Dosset of Floral, Ark.

I would like to share information with anyone whose Sanders roots go back to Franklin Co., N.C. I am eager to learn who Thomas B. Sanders' parents were, if he had siblings, and where they came from. ■

Notes About This Issue

Again, I didn't have room for some of the longer stories in this issue. Queries received to date from subscribers have been included (except long ones). Queries from subscribers take precedence over non-subscribers.

Continue to send queries. Be sure to include enough material so that someone can properly identify the people to whom they may connect, but don't make queries *too* long. Good pictures are still needed.

E-mail addresses of contributors are listed right after the other address in brackets [], if the person has an e-mail address. It will be listed as an Internet address, so if you are on Compuserve, Prodigy, America-On-Line, or whatever—you can recognize the part of the address that is to be used just for your service

It will be very much appreciated if you send me your queries and other material via e-mail. Send it to me at [dschaefe@comp.uark.edu] or [DES32@aol.com]. If you can't e-mail, put your copy on a 3 1/2" disk in WordPerfect (5.0) or most anything on a Macintosh. Also, if you send cleanly typed copy I can scan it with OCR software and a scanner to save time. Whichever is okay for you—but send me something!

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From Donna Foley, 460 Weston Rd., Russell Springs KY 42642, [mdfoley@ tank.rgs.uky.edu]. Hannah Minerva Sanders (b. c1862), daughter of Wade Hillard Sanders (b. Mar 1821, d. 13 Nov 1901) and Hannah Potter (b. 2 Dec 1833 Ky., d. 15 July 1904), were married 18 Jan 1894 Pike Co. at Wade H. Sanders' house to Marion Hilton/Hylton b. c1854 (his 2nd marriage, residence listed as Va.). Not on 1900 or 1910 census records in Pike Co., Buchanan Co, or Dickenson Co., Va. What happened to Hannah Minerva? Where did she live?

Have You Heard Of Absolom Sanders?

Roger Coltvet, 5507 E. Royal Palm, Paradise Valley, AZ 85253 [RAColtvet@aol.com]. Looking for family of Absolom Sanders, possibly son of Stephen (1750-1825) and Martha Sanders. Absolom Sanders was married in 1798 in Morris Twp., Washington Co., Penn., to Phoebe Ayres. Some of the family moved to Tuscarawas Co., Ohio, after about 1820. Around 1855 some of the remaining family moved to Martin Co., Ind. Descendants of Stephen Sanders, b: abt 1750 N.J., d. 1825 Morris Twp., Washington, Penn., m. Martha:

(1) Absolom Sanders, b: 1 Nov 1776, N.J. and Phoebe Ayres, b. 20 Mar 1781, N.J., d. aft 1870 Martin Co., Ind., m: 23 Oct 1798 in Morris Twp., Washington Co., Penn. Their children:

Samuel Sanders, b: 1800 Morris Twp., Washington Co., Penn.

Jacob A. Sanders, b: 1801 Morris Twp.,

Washington Co., Penn.

Joseph Sanders, b: 1804 Morris Twp., Washington Co., Penn.

Elihu Sanders, b. 1806 Morris Twp., Washington Co., Penn.

Joanna Sanders, b. 1810 Morris Twp., Washington Co., Penn.

Catherine Sanders, b. 1815 Morris Twp., Washington Co., Penn.

Elizabeth Sanders, b. Mar 29, 1817 Morris Twp. Washington Co. Penn., m. Aaron Kail, b. 1812 Tuscarawas, Ohio, d: Apr 1850 Tuscarawas, Ohio, m. Mar 09, 1837 in Tuscarawas, Ohio

Ayres Sanders, b. 1820 Morris Twp., Washington Co., Penn.

Madison Sanders, b. 1823

Mary Jane Sanders, b. 1827 Morris Twp., Washington Co., Penn.

(2) Daniel Sanders, b. 1783 N.J., m. Catherine, Children: Jacob Sanders, m. Phoebe, b. 1790, d: 1 Aug 1862, Ind. ■

Know Of Parents of "Fanny" Saunders (1805), Canada?

From Mrs. M. L. "Hutch" Frederick, 44 Creek Ridge, Pittsford, NY 14534, [k2gbr@frontiernet.net]. My grand-



"Fanny" Saunders Hutchinson

mother was Frances "Fanny" Saunders. She was born 1805, in lower Canada (Quebec, possibly near Ottawa), daughter of Mary and Samuel Saunders. She married Hiram Hutchinson on 14

Sep 1830 in Durham Co., Darlington, Ontario, Canada. The marriage bonds were posted in the name of the Church of England. She and Hiram later moved to Columbia Co., Wisconsin where both died and are buried. Can anyone help me with this line?

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Need Info On Cora Ann Sanders—Allen County, Ohio

Gary Warner, 5247 Paramont Drive, Irondale, AL 35210, [GLWARNER@ samford.bitnet]. My SANDERS are actually in both my family and my wife's—in West Virginia/Ohio/ Indiana. My fatherin-law is Ernest Sanders Bakie, born in Cincinatti, Ohio. His mother was a Sanders from West Virginia. I don't have any info on that line. My paternal grandmother's mother was Cora Ann Sanders, born in Allen Co., Ind. Her father was Cyrenis (sp) Sanders who is listed on the 1880 soundex of Scipio Township, Allen Co., Ind. There is a C. Sanders in Ohio before that which may or may not be him.

Another Thomas B. Sanders?

Jane Barnes, 280 Polk 68, Mena, AR 71953 is looking for ancestors of Thomas B. Sanders (Jan 1809 N.C.) m. Caroline Arendell (1809? N.C.). Children: Kemp H. (1830), Perciful (14 Sep 1832), Thadeus (1834), Erasmus Isaiah (15 Oct 1837), Mary Varice (1839), Rebecca A. (1841), Samuel Nathen (1843), Jimmy (1846), Quincy (1847), and Etta (1849). Erasmus Isaiah and wife Ella B. Coats lived in Madison Co., Ark., till her death and he later moved to West Carrol, La. ■

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